# FEDERATED CHURCH



<u>Mission Statement:</u> We are called to nurture a growing relationship with God by following the example of Jesus Christ.





## Thursday, August 5, and Sunday, August 8, 2021

## Welcome to Worship at Federated!

We are called Federated because on July 2, 1914, Columbus' Congregational (now the United Church of Christ) and Presbyterian churches joined to serve as one congregation.

Prayer requests can be shared with the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to initiate a Prayer Chain with the Order of St. Andrew. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

**If you missed worship last week,** visit **www.federatedcolumbus.org** for videos of worship and bulletins, and on TV: Spectrum Channel 1304 (HD) Mondays 11:55am, Saturdays 11:55am and Sundays 7:55pm.

In case of an emergency, pastor's cell phone number is: Edward (402) 302-2812.

Governing Council 2021 - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
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Administrators:	Donna Augspurger	Robin Lehr	Stuart Gausman Bell Choir Director	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia El Buen Pastor Fellowship
Terry Millard	Terry Norris	Marv Zoucha		

#### **JOYS & CONCERNS**

If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office.

• Pray for Rebecca Timperley who is back home for long-term rehab. Please pray for healing (physical and emotional) and provisions for recovery.

• Congratulations to Rod and Georgia Behlen who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on August 7th!

• From Homestead Presbytery: *Clarkson New Zion* Praise: Czech Days in Clarkson at the end of June was a successful festival and enjoyable to all. Thanks be to God! Prayer Requests: God's wisdom, timing, discernment, and favor will guide the PNC in their search for a called pastor, and their new pastor will be received with loving hearts and minds by the Clarkson community. Pastor Laura will have a successful hip replacement surgery with full recovery.

#### THANK YOU!

#### A huge thank you to Jessica Sand!

She has been a wonderful assistant over the summer! Many thanks to this brilliant, wonderful young lady! Good luck with your Junior year at Doane!

## **Co-Chair Needed!**

We are looking for an individual who would be willing to Co-Chair the annual Cookies 'N More event in November! If you are interested in helping, please contact Rogalyn Stevens.

## The Columbus Days Diaper Changing Station

volunteer sign up sheet is located in the Narthex!

## **Social Concerns & Missions Committee:**

Donations for July, August and September will be for Paws and Claws: Clorox, Pine Sol and leashes

## Thank you to Jerry Jarecke and the Master Care Team

who painted the garage door for us!

Rev. Jane Holtzclaw, MD is a native of Lincoln NE. She received her MD degree from University Nebraska College of Medicine and her MDiv degree from Iliff School of Theology. She is a psychiatrist, an ordained Minister in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and retired from the Air Force. She currently serves as a chaplain associate for St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Lincoln, NE.

## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

## Sunday, August 8th

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary 3:00pm "What My Grandmothers Taught Me", FH Monday, August 9th 6:30pm Membership & Growth, EC 4 7:00pm Boy Scouts 212 Meeting, FH Tuesday, August 10th 1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, EC 8 6:30pm Christian Ed. & Youth Ministry, EC 8 7:00pm Cub Scouts 279 Meeting, FH Wednesday, August 11th 10:00am Staff Meeting, AD 2 11:00am Worship Planning Meeting, EC 7 2:00pm Edward Preaching at Meridian Gardens 4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study, Online Thursday, August 12th 6:30pm Thursday Evening Worship, Sanctuary Friday, August 13th No events scheduled Saturday, August 14th No events scheduled Sunday, August 15th 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary -1st ever Blessing of the Backpacks

## Scheduled Memorial Services for:

• Virginia Smith - Saturday, October 2nd Please watch for updates!

## Used Ink Jet Cartridges Are Recyclable!!

Bring your used ink jet cartridges to the church and help out our Youth programs!

## **Bible Reading Questions**

- What was Nehemiah's occupation at the Persian court? (Nehemiah 1)

- What information does Luke give about Mary Magdalene? (Luke 8)



**Bible Reading Sharing & Discussion:** there will be a monthly meeting to share insights and discuss questions related to each month's Bible reading. All are invited to the hybrid meeting (<u>in-person and</u> <u>online via Zoom</u>) which is tentatively

scheduled for the <u>4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month from</u> <u>3:00pm - 4:00pm</u>. If your are interested in joining this meeting but the time does not work well for you, please inform Pastor Edward.

**Liturgist Volunteers Needed!** Please contact the office with dates you are available to be Liturgist!

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2021 Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation** 

Prelude

Nocturne in B Major Ellers Frederic Chopin Healey Willan

Jim Sharpe, Piano and Organ

Welcome and Announcements

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Presbyterian Outlook (Whitney Wilkinson Arreche)

- One: We wait for the Lord, our soul waits,
- All: and in God's word we hope.
- One: Our soul waits for the Lord
- All: more than those who watch for the morning,
- One: more than those who watch for the morning.
- All: O Israel, hope in the Lord!
- One: For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
- All: and with God is great power to redeem.

OPENING SONG

Sing Praises Chancel Choir, Recorded Feb. 11, 2018 Glarum

## **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

If we say we have no sin, we are not being honest, and the truth is not in us. Therefore we confess our true selves: that we have often ignored our own privilege even as we benefit from it. That we have not listened to the pain of others, but have instead dismissed it to keep ourselves comfortable. That we have not done the hard work of belonging to each other. We also confess that we are better than this: our sin is not all we are. With your help, God, we can change. We can listen. We can heal, and bring healing to others. We confess this possibility, in the name of the One who makes all things possible. Amen.

## **MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

One: We belong to God.

- All: We belong to each other.
- One: God does not look at us and see only sin;
- All: God sees belovedness.
- One: Believe that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven,
- All: in ways we may never fully understand. This is good news.

## PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

## All: And also with you.

One: Let us share that peace with one another.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON (SUN.)

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

SCRIPTURE READING

## Gospel According to John 6:35-51

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Gift as Mystery

Rev. Jane Holtzclaw, MD

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD** 

\*Affirmation of Faith:

From The Belhar Confession

We believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another.

We believe that we together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ; we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting one another.

We believe that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world; and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity. We believe that this unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Financial gifts can be dropped off in the contribution box, located at the entrance of the Sanctuary. **DOXOLOGY** 

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving God, use these gifts to do more than we could believe or imagine, building a world of justice, healing and enough for all. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #417	Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation		
Benediction			
Postlude (Sun.)	Toccata in F Major	Dietrich Buxtehude	





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> The Coordinating Team of Homestead Presbyterian Women would like to invite the women of your church for cookies, tea and fellowship on August 8th at 3:30 PM at the Federated Presbyterian Church in Columbus, NE located at 2704 15th Street.

> We will be discussing what PW is doing and future plans. Please bring as many women as you can. If you bring someone who has never attended a PW gathering, your church will receive a subscription to Horizons magazine. Also, all churches will be given a copy of the new bible study, What My Grandmothers Taught Me (from Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus).

## The Small Groups by the Membership and Growth

Committee would like to get these restarted! If you were in a group before (or would like to join!) please contact the others in the group to initiate this!

- Federated Family
  Fellowship Brenda Sand
  Bookworms Club Nila
  Novotny
- ~ YAFEDS (young adults) -Katie Claus & Julie Graham ~ Art Connoisseurs - Donna Augspurger, Kathy
- Leischner, Sharon Kuncl, Nell Burnham.

If you have ideas for other groups, please get ahold of one of the members of Membership & Growth to learn how to start your own!

Many thanks to Bob Trautwein for doing an amazing job chairing the Garage Sale once again! Total amount raised was \$7,336.45!

# ist Ever Blessing of the Backpacks

Let's kick off the school year right! Students of all ages are invited to bring their backpack, book bag, diaper bag, etc. to church to have them blessed. Sunday, August 15th @ 10:00 am Federated Church 2704 15th Street, Columbus, NE